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PAINTINGS FROM MAURICE WERTHEIM COLLECTION TO GO ON VIEW AT NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART

WASHINGTON, June 27:1953 Twenty-six paintings from the Maurice Wertheim Collection, New York, will be shown at the National Gallery of Art, opening on July first and continuing through September thirteenth, David E. Finley, Director, announced today. The pictures have been lent by the Fogg Museum of Art. Harvard University, through the courtesy of Mrs. Maurice Wertheim. Though numerically small, the collection is among the most distinguished in the United States. It contains masterpieces by Cézanne, Renoir, van Gogh, Gauguin, Degas, Manet, Monet, and among contemporary artists, Picasso, Matisse and Dufy. Speaking of the exhibition, John Walker, Chief Curator of the National Gallery said, "Mr. Wertheim will always rank among the foremost American connoisseurs. The high quality of the collection is the result of many years of careful acquisition. These distinguished masterpieces, which have been so generously lent to the Gallery, are a lasting tribute to Mr. Wertheim's discrimination and taste."

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